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U.S.A.**RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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REMARKS

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.